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law, treaty, or other governmental action and having responsibility to facilitate global or regional harmonization of standards and requirements in FDA's areas of responsibility or to promote and coordinate public health efforts. For such officials, the statement and commitment required by paragraph (c)(1)(i) of this section shall be provided on behalf of both the organization and the individual.

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#### § 20.90 Disclosure to contractors.

- (a) Data and information otherwise exempt from public disclosure may be disclosed to contractors with the Food and Drug Administration and their employees for use only in their work for the Food and Drug Administration. Contractors and their employees are thereafter subject to the same legal restrictions and penalties with respect to the disclosure of such data and information as Food and Drug Administration employees.
- (b) A written agreement between the Food and Drug Administration and any contractor shall be entered into before data and information otherwise exempt from public disclosure may be disclosed to the contractor. The contractor shall agree to establish and follow security precautions considered by the Food and Drug Administration to be necessary to ensure proper and confidential handling of the data and information. The written agreement shall include, where appropriate, provisions establishing:
- (1) Restrictions on access to the data and information by the contractor, its employees, or other persons;
  - (2) Physical storage requirements;
- (3) Requirements for the handling and accountability of the data and information by the contractor and its employees;
- (4) Limitations on reproduction, transmission, and disclosure of the data and information;
- (5) A requirement of advance approval by the Food and Drug Administration of the use by the contractor of subcontractors, vendors, or suppliers;
- (6) Procedures to be followed when the contractor employs time-shared computer operations;

- (7) Methods of destroying source documents or related waste material; and
- (8) The period during which the contractor may retain such data and information

# § 20.91 Use of data or information for administrative or court enforcement action.

Nothing in this part or this chapter shall prevent the Food and Drug Administration from using any data or information, whether obtained voluntarily or involuntarily and whether or not it is available for public disclosure, as the basis for taking any administrative or court enforcement action within its jurisdiction. Data and information otherwise exempt from public disclosure are nevertheless available for public disclosure to the extent necessary to effectuate such action, e.g., the brand name, code designation, and distribution information are released when a product is recalled.

### Subpart F—Availability of Specific Categories of Records

## § 20.100 Applicability; cross-reference to other regulations.

- (a) The provisions set forth in this subpart or cross-referenced in paragraph (c) of this section state the way in which specific categories of Food and Drug Administration records are handled upon a request for public disclosure. The exemptions established in subpart D of this part and the limitations on exemptions established in subpart E of this part shall be applicable to all Food and Drug Administration records, as provided in §§ 20.60 and 20.80. Accordingly, a record that is ordinarily available for public disclosure in accordance with this part or under other regulations is not available for such disclosure to the extent that it falls within an exemption contained in subpart D of this part except as provided by the limitations on exemptions specified in subpart E of this part.
- (b) The Commissioner, on his own initiative or on the petition of any interested person, may amend this subpart or promulgate and cross-reference

additional regulations to state the status of additional categories of documents to settle pending questions or to reflect court decisions.

- (c) In addition to the provisions of this part, rules on the availability of the following specific categories of Food and Drug Administration records are established by regulations in this chapter:
- (1) Section 305 hearing records, in  $\S7.87(c)$  of this chapter.
- (2) Flavor ingredient records and notes, in \$101.22(i)(4)(iv) of this chapter
- (3) Environmental assessments; finding of no significant impact, in §25.51 of this chapter, or draft and final environmental impact statements, in §25.52 of this chapter.
- (4) Color additive petitions, in §71.15 of this chapter.
- (5) Food standard temporary permits, in §130.17(k) of this chapter.
- (6) Information on thermal processing of low-acid foods packaged in hermetically sealed containers, in §108.35(1) of this chapter.
- (7) Food additive petitions, in §§ 171.1(h) and 571.1(h) of this chapter.
- (8) Action levels for natural and unavoidable defects in food for human use, in §110.110(e) of this chapter.
- (9) Drug establishment registrations and drug listings, in §207.37 of this chapter.
- (10) Investigational new animal drug notices, in \$514.12 of this chapter.
- (11) New animal drug application files, in §514.11 of this chapter.
- (12) Investigational new animal drug notice and a new animal drug application file for an antibiotic drug, in §514.10 of this chapter.
- (13) Methadone patient records, in §291.505(g) of this chapter.
- (14) Investigational new drug notice, in §312.130 of this chapter.
- (15) Labeling for and lists of approved new drug applications, in §314.430 of this chapter.
- (16) Master file for a new drug application, in §312.420 of this chapter.
- (17) New drug application file, in §314.430 of this chapter.
- (18) Data and information submitted for in vitro diagnostic products, in §809.4 of this chapter.

- (19) Data and information submitted for OTC drug review, in §330.10(a)(2) of this chapter.
- (20) Investigational new drug notice for an antibiotic drug, in § 431.70 of this chapter.
- (21) Antibiotic drug file, in §314.430 of this chapter.
- (22) Data and information submitted for biologics review, in §601.25(b)(2) of this chapter.
- (23) Investigational new drug notice for a biological product, in §601.50 of this chapter.
- (24) Applications for biologics licenses for biological products, in §601.51 of this chapter.
- (25) Cosmetic establishment registrations, in §710.7 of this chapter.
- (26) Cosmetic product ingredient and cosmetic raw material composition statements, §720.8 of this chapter.
- (27) Cosmetic product experience reports, in §730.7 of this chapter.
- (28) Device premarket notification submissions, in §807.95 of this chapter.
- (29) Electronic product information, in §§ 1002.4 and 1002.42 of this chapter.
- (30) Data and information submitted to the Commissioner or to classification panels in connection with the classification or reclassification of devices intended for human use, in §860.5 of this chapter.
- (31) Data and information submitted in offers to develop a proposed performance standard for medical devices, in §861.26 of this chapter.
- (32) Investigational device exemptions in §812.38 of this chapter.
- (33) Health claims petitions, in  $\S\,101.70$  of this chapter.
- (34) Premarket approval application, in §814.9 of this chapter.
- (35) Report of certain adverse experiences with a medical device, in §803.9 of this chapter.
- (36) Disqualification determination of an institutional review board, in §56.122 of this chapter.
- (37) Disqualification determination of a nonclinical laboratory, in \$58.213 of this chapter.
- (38) Minutes or records regarding a public advisory committee, in §14.65(c) of this chapter.
- (39) Data submitted regarding persons receiving an implanted pacemaker

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device or lead, in §805.25 of this chapter.

- (40) Humanitarian device exemption application, in §814.122 of this chapter.
- (41) Premarket notifications for food contact substances, in §170.102 of this chapter.
- (42) Registration of food facilities, in  $\S 1.243$  of this chapter.
- (43) Minor-use or minor-species (MUMS) drug designations, in §516.52 of this chapter.
- (44) Minor-species drug index listings, in §516.171 of this chapter.

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### § 20.101 Administrative enforcement records.

- (a) All Food and Drug Administration records relating to administrative enforcement action disclosed to any member of the public, including the person who is the subject of such action, are available for public disclosure at the time such disclosure is first made. Such records include correspondence with companies following factory inspection, recall or detention requests, notice of refusal of admission of an imported product, regulatory letters, information letters, Forms FD-483 and FD-2275 furnished to companies after factory inspection, and similar records.
- (b) To the extent that any of such records fall within the exemption for investigatory records established in §20.64, the Commissioner determines that they are subject to discretionary release pursuant to §20.82.
- (c) Records relating to administrative enforcement action that are not disclosed to any member of the public constitute investigatory records that are subject to the rules for disclosure established in §20.64. For example, an establishment inspection report is an investigatory record and thus subject to §20.64 except insofar as the Commissioner exercises his discretion to release it pursuant to §20.82.

### § 20.102 Court enforcement records.

- (a) All records and documents filed in the courts are available for public disclosure unless the court orders otherwise. The Food and Drug Administration will make available for public disclosure such records or documents if the agency can determine that it has an accurate copy of the actual record or document filed in the court. If the Food and Drug Administration cannot determine whether it has an accurate copy of such a record or document, the person requesting a copy shall be referred to the court involved.
- (b) After a recommendation for court action has been finally refused by a United States attorney, the correspondence with the United States attorney and the Department of Justice with respect to that recommendation, including the pleadings recommended for filing with the court, is available for public disclosure. Prior to disclosure of any record specifically reflecting consideration of possible criminal prosecution of any individual, all names and other information that would identify an individual who was considered for criminal prosecution but who was not prosecuted shall be deleted unless the Commissioner concludes that there is a compelling public interest in the disclosure of such names.

### § 20.103 Correspondence.

- (a) All correspondence to and from members of the public, members of Congress, organization or company officials, or other persons, except members of the Executive Branch of the Federal Government and special government employees, is available for public disclosure.
- (b) Any such correspondence is available for public disclosure at the time that it is sent or received by the Food and Drug Administration unless a different time for such disclosure is specified in other rules established or cross-referenced in this part, e.g., correspondence relating to an IND notice or an NDA in §314.430 of this chapter.

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